

## SENATE BILL No. 223

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### DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 35-45-4-1.

**Synopsis:** Breastfeeding in public. Provides that it is a defense for a person charged with public indecency that the person was breastfeeding her child in a public place.

**Effective:** July 1, 1999.

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January 6, 1999, read first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1       SECTION 1. IC 35-45-4-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
2       FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 1. (a) **Except as**  
3       **provided in subsection (b)**, a person who knowingly or intentionally,  
4       in a public place:

5               (1) engages in sexual intercourse;

6               (2) engages in deviate sexual conduct;

7               (3) appears in a state of nudity; or

8               (4) fondles the person's genitals or the genitals of another person;  
9       commits public indecency, a Class A misdemeanor. However, the  
10      offense is a Class D felony if the person commits the offense by  
11      appearing in the state of nudity with the intent to arouse the sexual  
12      desires of the person or another person in or on a public place where a  
13      child less than sixteen (16) years of age is present.

14      **(b) It is a defense for a person accused of committing an act**  
15      **under subsection (a)(3) that the accused person was breastfeeding**  
16      **her child in a public place.**

17      ~~(b)~~ (c) "Nudity" means the showing of the human male or female



1 genitals, pubic area, or buttocks with less than a fully opaque covering,  
2 the showing of the female breast with less than a fully opaque covering  
3 of any part of the nipple, or the showing of covered male genitals in a  
4 discernibly turgid state.

5 ~~(c)~~ **(d)** A person who, in a place other than a public place, with the  
6 intent to be seen by persons other than invitees and occupants of that  
7 place:

8 (1) engages in sexual intercourse;

9 (2) engages in deviate sexual conduct; or

10 (3) fondles the person's genitals or the genitals of another person;  
11 where the person can be seen by persons other than invitees and  
12 occupants of that place commits indecent exposure, a Class C  
13 misdemeanor.

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